

Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
decision to force  
their stations to  
air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
is a clear example  
of the dangers of  
media consolidation.

This decision is  
not only a violation  
of FCC regulations,  
it also violates FEC  
regulations. You  
should use your  
power to stop it.

Sinclair uses the  
public airwaves free  
of charge, and is  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. But when  
media conglomerates  
control the  
airwaves, they opt  
for what benefits  
them, not the public  
interest. If  
Sinclair is truly  
interested in  
serving the public,  
they would agree to  
also air the  
pro-Kerry movie  
"Going Upriver",  
which was offered to  
them at no charge.  
One solution to this  
issue would be for  
you to require them  
to air both sides or  
neither side.

Sinclair's actions  
show why we need to  
strengthen media  
ownership rules, not  
weaken them. They  
show why the license  
renewal process  
needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard. Thank you.